

SOME ADVANTAGES OF THE EXTENSION OF THE L. AND E.

While Winchester is Asleep Other Towns are Preparing to Reap Benefit From Railroad Building.

The article in The News about the advantages to Winchester of the extension of the Lexington and Eastern railway toward the mountains toward the Virginia line has caused much comment among the people. The merchants seem to be awakening to the importance of the opportunity. Some of the leading members of the Commercial club are discussing the steps which must be taken. But we are not the only people who are on the outlook for the benefits to come. In a two-column editorial of the Lexington Herald an endeavor is being made to stir up our neighbor. An extract from the editorial on the importance of the L. & E. may awaken some of our sleepers. Here it is:

"There is a prospect that is pointed out in the annual report of the secretary of the Commercial club which Lexington ought to derive great benefit, and that is through the growth that is to take place in the near future in Eastern Kentucky. Lexington merchants should supply the trade of the mountains; Lexington banks should furnish the money to finance their development; both the development of the corporations and the individuals. Both Lexington and Louisville have neglected their opportunities. Cincinnati, and other cities of Ohio and West Virginia

have reaped enormous profits from that neglect. Due to the fortunate circumstance that some of the ablest and most enterprising men from the Big Sandy Valley went to Cincinnati, accepted positions in banks and wholesale houses, Cincinnati has secured and maintains an ascendancy in the trade and finances of the Big Sandy Valley, which now makes it more difficult for Lexington and Louisville to secure that trade, than it would have been had we Kentuckians of the lowlands recognized the opportunities and the obligations presented by the highlands of the state.

We believe it to be a conservative estimate that within the next five years a minimum of twenty-five million dollars of outside capital will be spent in the construction of railroads and the development of the coal mines in the mountain counties, which ought to be tributary to Lexington. It is probable that twice that amount will be spent. We shall not be surprised to see the mountain counties of Eastern Kentucky increase more in population in the next five years than has the whole state of Kentucky in the past ten years. If Lexington is wise and progressive, the banks and the merchants, both wholesale and retail, and the schools and colleges of this section ought to derive great benefits from that increase."

SECOND TRIAL OF DEVARY

Who Is Charged With the Killing of Harvey Ewen at Dunaway Church Sept. 19, 1909.

Friday morning Judge J. M. Benton began the second trial of N. B. Devary, who, it is alleged, killed Harvey Ewen at Dunaway on the night of Sept. 19, 1909.

The killing occurred at the Dunaway church after the night services and was the result, it is said, of a quarrel. Devary gave himself up to the officers the day following the shooting and claims he killed Ewen in self-defense.

This is the second trial Devary has had. The first trial was held last December and resulted in a hung jury. At noon the prosecution had closed and Devary had testified for himself.

TWO COUNTY SCHOOLS CLOSED

The Fall Term This Week and Teachers Have Left for Their Homes.

Two of the county schools finished their fall term this week and have closed. Miss Maude Craig finished her work at the Suddath school Tuesday and left for her home in Pulaski county Friday morning. The Franklin school closed Friday afternoon.

GOES TO CINCINNATI.

Mr. S. D. Goff left Friday morning for Cincinnati, where he will be for several days on business for the Hagan Gas Engine and Manufacturing company.

SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY

Princess Dudley, Colored, Gets Prison Sentence for Robbing White Man of \$300.

Princess Dudley, colored, who was charged with robbing a white man of nearly \$300 last September, was

tried in the Clark circuit court last Thursday afternoon, and sentenced to a term in the state prison of from one to five years.

The theft was committed last September and the negro kept it covered until two weeks ago, when a friend whom she confided in at Cincinnati turned her up.

Kate Buckner, colored, was indicted Thursday on a charge of having aided her in the theft, and will be tried at this term of the court.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

MRS. LUCINDA ECTON.

The funeral services of Mrs. Lucinda Ecton, who died Thursday morning, were held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. George W. Strother, Friday morning. The services were conducted by Rev. Richard French and Rev. J. H. MacNeill. The body was buried in the Winchester cemetery.

Following were the pallbearers: H. T. Strother, Roy Scott, Joe Ecton, C. B. Strother, T. Strother Scott and C. B. Ecton, Jr.

LOSES SUIT FOR SERVICES

Verdict Is Rendered in Circuit Court Thursday Afternoon Against A. A. Clay.

The jury in the case of A. A. Clay vs. Chenault, administrator, Thursday afternoon rendered a verdict for the defendant. The suit was for services which plaintiff alleged was due him. The sum claimed was over \$20,000. The trial was begun Monday morning and consumed four days. The jury was only a short time in arriving at a conclusion.

MAN IS KILLED IN OKLAHOMA

Thirty-one Are Seriously Injured When Three Cars of a Southbound Train Are Derailed.

DAVIS, Okla., Dec. 16.—One man was killed and 31 were seriously injured when three cars of a southbound Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe train were thrown from a bridge into the Washita river, five miles from

here, Wednesday afternoon. Floyd Goan, Davis, was killed. Among the seriously injured: Robert Ethridge, Mills county, Texas; P. Jackson, negro porter, Cleburne, Texas; J. W. Oakes, Stockton, Mo.; R. E. McNeely, Kansas City.

Practically every one on the train was hurt, though many in a minor degree. The smoking and baggage cars plunged 40 feet into the river, landing bottom side up. The Pullmans and other passenger cars kept the track.

Two of the injured are expected to die. The wreck was caused by a broken rail.

RICH MERCHANT IS KIDNAPPED

Innocent Solis, Noted Bandit, Demands \$6000 as a Price for the Restoration of the Prisoner.

HAVENA, Dec. 16.—Senor Crisencio Perez, a wealthy merchant of Santi Spiritus, Santa Clara Province, was kidnapped by the bandit Innocent Solis, and \$6000 is being demanded as the price for the restoration of the prisoner.

Senor Rafael Benitez, a merchant of Havana, was captured by bandits in Remedios, Santa Clara Province Monday, and was only freed after \$1500 had been paid. He was ill-treated, and when restored to his friends was badly wounded.

Innocent Solis, who is the captor of Senor Perez, is a notorious bandit known some times as "El Guerrillero." Last summer he obtained \$4000 ransom for a son of Manuel Lopez of Ciego de Cvida.

Solis was once a policeman in Havana and is a veteran of two revolutions. He was in prison in 1909 serving a term for burglary when released under the amnesty act.

FATAL RESULT OF EXPLOSION

Eight Miners Are Killed in Mine, and Lives of Four Members of Rescue Party Snuffed Out.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Explosions of gas in the Greene mine, near Tacoma, Va., Wednesday morning entombed eight miners and when Superintendent Barrowman and three bank bosses went to their rescue four more lives were snuffed out by the deadly "damp."

Wednesday night ten blackened bodies were taken from a lower level and brought to the surface, where hundreds of women and children await in vain for husbands and fathers. Most of the bodies were identified, among them being Superintendent Barrowman, who gave up his life in the cause of his employees.

The explosion was due, it is said, to the opening of a gas seal on one of the levels. Following the report at the first explosion James Barrowman, superintendent of the mine and three bank bosses, rushed to the mine and ordered the car lowered to assist in the work of rescue.

Shortly after they were lowered a second explosion occurred, in which the rescuers lost their lives. It was an hour after the second explosion before an attempt was made by the second party of rescuers to enter the mine, and then only those equipped with oxygen helmets were allowed to enter.

Several trips were made by the party into the mine before any one was brought to the surface. Finally one miner was found near the entrance, where he had crawled, maimed and delirious.

Rescuers from the nearby mines arrived on the scene at 1 o'clock and took an active part in reaching the entombed men.

Much anxiety in that vicinity is expressed for a man named Brown, a gas expert from Pittsburgh, who, it is said, was at Tacoma Wednesday. It is said Brown was seen to get in the mine car with Barrowman as a member of the rescue party. Nothing has been heard from him since.

A government mine rescue car from Knoxville, Tenn., reached the scene about 11 o'clock Wednesday night. It is in charge of Foreman A. R. Brown and E. M. Owens. Rescue parties with complete equipment immediately set to work.

LAWYERS ENGAGE IN FIST FIGHT

Following Introduction of Ghastly Evidence, Body in Fine State of Preservation.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 16.—The court was startled and the crowded room stood aghast Wednesday when a body was carried in at the instigation of District Attorney Thames, and was offered in evidence by the state in the celebrated case of Miss Rosie Minor, charged with the murder of George Smith last October. It developed that the body of Smith never had been buried and had been held at a local undertaker's awaiting the trial.

The sudden move of Mr. Thames caused a craning of necks. Having been embalmed the body was in a fine state of preservation and the state hoped to get it introduced as evidence.

Judge Moulter was taken unawares, but promptly ruled that the body was not admissible as evidence. Without any further interruption District Attorney Thames directed the four men who had borne the body into the room to carry it back to the undertaking establishment. Miss Minor was affected by the sight. Following the incident Albert Bonelli, a lawyer, and Newton Cook, grand jury bailiff, engaged in a fist fight.

FATAL MISTAKE OF PHYSICIAN

One Child Is Dead and Another Dying as a Result of an Overdose of Poison.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—An overdose of atropine sulphate caused the death of Johnnie Staley, aged 6, Wednesday. It was prescribed by mistake by an interne at the city dispensary. Chester Staley, younger brother of the dead boy, took a dose of the same drug, and is in a critical condition. According to the statement of Mrs. C. J. Staley, the mother, she went to the dispensary for medicine for the two children.

Mrs. Staley said the interne told her to give the older boy seven drops. Mrs. Staley had no medicine dropper, but carefully dropped the medicine from the bottle into a glass filled with water for Johnnie. Chester was rebellious, and said he did not want to take any "bad medicine."

"Watch me take it, Ches," said Johnnie. "I'll show you how to get it down."

With one gulp he swallowed the bitter dose. Chester demurred, and according to the mother, in resisting, swallowed only a part of the dose containing five drops. His childish resistance probably saved his life.

In accounting for his mistake in giving an adult's dose to a child, the interne said that during the night before he had been nervous. He arose and obtained a textbook on prescriptions, and attempted to study until he was sleepy. He said that he remembered when Mrs. Staley called of reading the atropine prescription just before he finally fell asleep, and he duplicated for her the prescription he had read.

BADGER GAME IS FORESTALLED

Victim Escapes by a Ruse, After Being Held Up by Young Woman and Her Husband.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—After having been bound and gagged as he was about to leave a luxuriously appointed apartment in the Cairo, whither, according to the police, he had been lured by an attractive young woman, and confronted, it is claimed, by a series of photographs of himself and the woman, while her husband, at the point of a revolver, commanded him to sign a check for \$5,000, Henry Rosenthal, senior member of Rosenthal & Levy, escaped by a ruse and gave the police information which enabled them, they say, to cap-

ture the most daring "badger game" workers ever known to have operated in this city.

Police arrested Wednesday Jas. R. Knott, aged 20 years, while the latter was trying to collect \$2000, the amount promised by Rosenthal after he told his persecutors he could not give them the \$5000 for which he had signed a check the night previous.

Later, the detectives arrested Mrs. James B. Knott at Tacoma Park, where she was waiting to get her husband, presumably to leave the city.

The capture of Knott and his wife had scarcely been affected when detectives went to the Knott apartments and arrested Knott's brother and Alton Armstrong, 20 years old, an electrician, who says his home is in South Dakota. All the members of the band are locked up at the First Precinct station, and held on the charge of blackmail, with the exception of Benjamin Knott, who is held in \$1000 bond as a witness.

Knott and his wife have been married only since the latter part of October.

Rosenthal is said to be very wealthy.

COMPLIMENTS JURY COMPOSED OF WOMEN

Prominent Olympia Women Form Jury Which Is Said by Judge to Be Very Superior.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 16.—Sitting in the jury box without removing their hats, five prominent Olympia women listened to testimony and arguments of lawyers trying the case of A. Koch, a milkman, against Fouts & Canfield, street contractors. Koch claimed that a blast set off by the contractors caused his team to run away and do damage to the extent of \$10.05.

Six women were called, but Mrs. E. B. Graves, president of the Humane society, sent a physician's certificate stating she was ill. The court excused her, and by stipulation the other five were selected to try the case.

After being out an hour the women returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff awarding the full amount of damages asked.

According to attorneys here this is the first time in Washington, if not the United States, that a female jury drawn from a venire of women only has been selected to try a case. Judge Giles, of the justice court, who presided, declared that the jury of women is superior to any jury that ever sat in his court.

TO PROMOTE CAUSE OF HER RELIGION

Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy Left the Bulk of Her Estate. Directs That In Debtedness on Church Be Paid.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 16.—"For the purpose of more effectually promoting and extending the religion of Christian Science as taught by me," Mary Baker G. Eddy, in her will filed Wednesday, makes the Mother Church of Boston her residuary legatee after various other bequests are paid.

Among these other bequests is one of \$100,000 to the Christian Science board of directors to be held in trust for the purpose of providing free instruction for "indigent Christian Scientists."

In addition to the previous gift made to her son George W. Glover, of Lead, S. D., \$10,000 is given him in the will and the same sum is given each of his five children.

Dr. E. J. Foster-Eddy, her adopted son, gets \$5000; Calvin A. Frye, \$20,000, and there are several more bequests of \$1000 to \$3000 each to relatives and to attendants of the Eddy household.

By codicils Mrs. Eddy directs that an indebtedness upon the church edifice of the Second Church of Christ Scientist, in New York shall be cancelled from her estate and bequeaths her "crown of diamonds" breastpin to Mrs. Augusta A. Stetson of New York.

The will filed Wednesday was executed on Sept. 13, 1901, and re-executed as an original will Nov. 7, 1903, the previous will having been lost or misplaced. There are two codicils, the first dated Nov. 5, 1903, and the second May 14, 1904.

The safe place to do hurried Xmas shopping is the all-year-round reliable Curry Dry Goods Co. It points that way. 12-16-31

SECOND FIRE IN LAGRANGE

Causes Death of Mayor Charles McDowell and Injury of Two Men. Big Property Loss.

LAGRANGE, Ky., Dec. 16.—A second fire which broke out here Wednesday night not only caused a loss of between \$15,000 and \$20,000, but resulted in the death of Mayor Charles McDowell and the injury of two men.

Mr. McDowell, who was one of the leading druggists, as well as the chief executive of the town, was killed by a chimney falling on him while he was watching the progress of the flame about 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. The two injured men are Chas. Fisher and Alfred Fisher. Chas. Fisher was seriously cut with an ax while chopping down a small frame building in the path of flames and Alfred Fisher was badly hurt by falling glass. Neither of the men is fatally injured.

The fire broke out shortly after 4 o'clock in the roof of Soper's undertaking shop, where it is supposed to have been smoldering since the fire of Tuesday night. Soper was in his store at the time the fire started and when it was discovered the roof was almost ready to fall in. He barely succeeded in escaping with his life.

From the undertaking shop, which was destroyed, the flames spread to the Home Telephone office, burning it to the ground and wiping out Young's barber shop and Dr. R. B. Cassidy's office and residence.

The one-story frame jewelry shop of J. T. Brown was torn down to stop the progress of the flames and it was while engaged in this work that the two Fishers were injured.

It seemed for a time that the entire block would be destroyed and help was asked from Louisville, the fire department responding promptly. After hours of hard work the flames were gotten under control, but continued to burn until after 4 o'clock. The fire wall of Numer's store stopped the fire's progress and saved several of the buildings on that side of the blaze.

Mayor McDowell's death occurred after the flames had practically been subdued. He and several friends were standing near one of the ruined buildings when a chimney toppled. The men with him saw the chimney start to fall and called to him to jump. He was too late, however, and before he could move he was buried under the debris. He is survived by his wife and several children.

THOUGHT WIFE WAS SLEEPING

George Spencer Later Discovered He Body, With Life Extinct, Still Clasping Babe.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 16.—With her stiffening arms clasping her two-months-old child, the body of Mrs. Geo. Spencer lay for two hours, surrounded by four other children, desperately ill with the measles. The father, a laborer out of work, was performing the duties of the household and believing his wife sleeping did not disturb her.

Unable to obtain steady employment, Spencer took his family to a two-room cabin on the outskirts of the city. The dwelling is remote from other houses and when he found his wife dead he was afraid to leave the children alone to call assistance. Distressed in his sad predicament he waited for a passerby whom he might hail. No one coming, he finally ran to the nearest house and told his story. Relief soon came and the sick children were cared for by charity organizations.

Poorly nourished and clothed, Mrs. Spencer contracted pneumonia, but managed to keep up and care as best she could for her sick children until Saturday night. Taking the baby in her arms and two other children in the bed with her she laid down for the last time. When neighbors went into the house soon after Spencer had given the alarm they found the sick children still on the bed with the body of the mother. One may die.

Christmas? See the line of pictures at the Winchester Paint & Wall Paper Company. Do you want something tasty for per Company. 12-10-11.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

Rev. J. H. Newberry has just returned from Ashland, where he conducted a very successful meeting at the Centenary Methodist church.

More than 50 confessions of faith were given at the three services held last Sunday. The total numbered more than a hundred.



MARKETS

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat: Yesterday was a bull day in the entire grain list. Bull leaders bought enough wheat to start a little advance and the short sellers of the week not having made much headway, were quick to cover on the advance. Members who came here from the Northwest yesterday say there is a liberal movement of wheat from farmer elevators. It looks like a half million bushels increase in stocks at Minneapolis and a liberal increase at Duluth. While the volume of trade is light the bull leaders, on no doubt, force a temporary advance if they stand under the market, but the judgment of careful traders is that the swell will be only temporary and that without a change in the character of the news from the Argentine the heavy tone will soon return to the trade.

Corn—Three days' break in cash corn prices shut out country offerings, gave a lighter bear, caused cash prices to recover a half cent and naturally shorts covered for all months. The upturn of nearly one cent was better than anybody looked for. Much of the local short interests was eliminated. The market for a few days may depend on heavy or light country offerings. It looks as if the movement will be sufficient to greatly increase the stocks of corn here before the end of another week, and without Southern demand of importance the situation is likely to continue heavy, but subject to temporary recovery like that of yesterday.

Oats—We feel that oats will show a little stubbornness in cash and December contracts through this month, but the late months are likely to show weakness as soon as the edge is off the corn market.

Provisions—Gelt says 20,000 hogs against 27,000 and 29,000 last year. Prices of hogs yesterday showed a packing profit for the first time this season. The pit and local trade are disappointed in the action of the provision market yesterday and went short. We cannot only say regarding the action of the market for the near future that the hog movement will govern.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cattle, receipts, 5500; steady; beefs \$4.35@7.25; Texas steers \$3.90@5, stockers and feeders \$3.25@5.60, cows, hifers \$2.75@5.85, calves \$7@9.25; hogs, receipts 19,000; higher; \$6.75@7.80; sheep, receipts 18,000; strong, native \$2.40@4.25, Western \$2.50@4.25, yearlings \$4.30@5.65, lambs \$4.25@6.30, Western \$4.50@6.25.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15.—Cattle, receipts, 789; slow; fair to good shippers, \$4.60@4.65, common \$2.25@3.75, hogs, receipts 2718; active, 20 @25c higher; butchers and shippers \$7.75@7.80, common \$5.75@7.80; sheep, receipts 276; steady; \$2@3.65, lambs steady, \$3.75@5.90.

See E. J. Barnes for your Xmas candies and nuts. 12-12-cod-2w

They Should Be Reasonable.

Three chorus girls are said to have resigned from the staff of a musical comedy because they would not wear "horrid tights." Dear, dear, a girl must wear a little something on the stage even in these emancipated days. —Louisville Courier-Journal.